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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Congratulations

I wanted my first note addressed to you by the title above to be something other than a piece of routine business. Your road to the DCI's office has taken some curious turnings, but it has had a destination that a number of your friends and colleagues (myself included) have confidently anticipated for more than a decade. Needless to say, I am delighted -- professionally and personally -- both for you and for the Agency. As I trust you also know without my having to say so, I will do everything I can to help you in your new incarnation in any way you desire. Now that the formal rituals of investiture have been solemnized and the office is officially yours, I tender these formal congratulations -- which reflect sentiments shared by my wife and a host of others who have had the pleasure of knowing you as a friend and/or working with you as a colleague over the years.

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